

KUTZ PROPOSES NEW BUILDING LAWS TO MAKE D. C. BEAUTIFUL

By BILL PRICE.

For the beautification of Washington along the most modern architectural lines, Brigadier General Kutz, Engineer Commissioner of the District, has drawn a proposed bill for enactment by Congress providing for "zones" of building construction in this city.

The bill is tentative, has not yet been formally passed upon by the District Commissioners, and is being submitted by General Kutz to the Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce, Federation of Citizens' Associations, Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association and other civic bodies to obtain their views upon it.

General Kutz has asked that representatives of these associations and others interested give consideration to the proposed law and attend a conference with him January 25 for the purpose of discussing the matter preliminary to a public hearing before the Commissioners at some future date.

Restricts Trade Locations.
The bill restricts and regulates the locations of trades and industries, the location of buildings designed for specific uses and regulates the heights of buildings in the District.

The project was one dear to the heart of General Kutz before he left as Engineer Commissioner in July, 1917, to take up active duties in the army. He had often discussed it with the other Commissioners, and there was an agreement among them that at the proper time they would consider legislation.

On August 21, 1918, the late Senator Gallinger introduced a bill regarding this matter in the Senate, the bill being based on a New York city law covering the same subject. This bill was referred to the Commissioners for report, and in applying it to local conditions existing in Washington, it was believed that various changes should be made in its provisions. A substitute bill was prepared by the building inspector's office, and it was the intention at that time to hold a public hearing, but all action in the matter was postponed on account of the war.

Now that General Kutz has returned, he has revived the proposed measure, and hopes, after a general discussion of its terms, to recommend to the Commissioners the adoption of some such legislation, which he believes is greatly needed.

Provides for Districts.
In general, the bill proposes to divide the District of Columbia into districts, designated as private dwelling districts, multiple dwelling districts, business districts, and unrestricted districts.

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Who's Back From the War

A daily list of men in the Army, Navy and Marine Corps who have returned to Washington after service overseas or in camps in this country. If you want your friends to know you're home, write to The Times or phone Main 5260, Branch 101.

Corp. Edward C. George, 27 Royal Flying Squadron, 2629 L St. N. W.
Private Edward A. Poynton, Second Cavalry, 4019 Fifth St. N. W.
Lieut. Brandon McCann, Naval Transport, 1926 First St. N. W.
Seaman Newton Palmer, navy, Congress Heights.
Petty Officer George Eckert, navy, 232 N St. N. W.
First Lieut. Courtney Conover, Chemical Warfare Service, 1301 Irving St., Brookland.

stricted districts. Within sixty days after the passage of the legislation and after a public hearing the Commissioners are authorized to determine the boundaries of these several districts and after similar public hearings, to change them from time to time. The bill provides that whenever the owners of 50 per cent or more of the frontage of any district shall, by petition, request a change in the district, or any regulations applying thereto, the Commissioners shall act on the petition within ninety days.

Business Districts.
In business districts, buildings may be erected for trades, industries or other uses connected with the commercial life of the city. But no building may be erected designed to be used for any trade or industry that is noxious or offensive by reason of odors, dust, smoke, noise, etc., except car barns and places of amusement. Any building permitted in a business district would also be allowed in a business district.

In the unrestricted districts, the prohibitions as to buildings in the other districts would not apply. By the proposed bill the Commissioners are given authority to make such rules and regulations as they deem necessary to carry its provisions into effect, and the bill provides that it shall be unlawful to use any building erected contrary to its provisions. The bill further provides that the permissible height of a building in the private dwelling district shall not exceed 35 feet, and in the multiple dwelling district 35 feet, provided that the allowable height in any street of this district should not be greater than the width of the street. In the unrestricted district, a building 10 feet, except on a street 60 to 85 feet wide, where a height of 60 feet would be allowed, and on a street 60 feet or less in width, a height equal to the width of the street will be allowed.

Other Height Restrictions.
The permissible height of buildings in the business and unrestricted districts is limited to 130 feet, except on Pennsylvania avenue northwest between First and Fifteenth streets, where an extreme height of 160 feet would be permitted. For a building facing a public building or park the height is limited to 75 feet.

All buildings more than fifty-five feet in height are required to be of fireproof construction throughout, including the main floor, and to be boarded and tenement houses three stories in height or over, are required to be of fireproof construction up to and including the main floor.

Churches and halls with a seating capacity of over 300 persons, are required to be of fireproof construction up to and including the main floor or auditorium. Special provisions as to fireproofing theaters and towers, domes, etc., are provided for.

SENATE COMMITTEE TO PROBE ASH SITUATION

Because of the widespread complaint about the ash situation in the District, the subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee which is considering the District bill will take it up with Commissioner Brownlow.

Mr. Brownlow has been asked to appear before the subcommittee and make a statement. Members of the subcommittee have received complaints, and there is a disposition to take whatever action is needed to remedy it in connection with the District bill. An increased appropriation is probable.

CALLS HEART BALM SUIT 'SO ROMANTIC'

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knows that he has been sued for \$50,000. "Really, I never believed I was worth that much money. Well, I do not know how much money Captain Murphy has, but I am going to telephone him of the suit for his alleged alienation of my affections. Captain Murphy is in Alabama, and I know he will fight the suit, as there is nothing substantial in the charges."

Married On Impulse.
"I don't know why I married Mr. Taylor anyway. I did so under an impulse. He never appeared attractive to me. I met him frequently in New York, and we were at a party one day when he gave me a diamond ring. I suppose it cost about \$400. He asked me to marry him, and I did so the next day. He left for Boston that night."

"Since that time I have been in Washington. He frequently came to see me and asked that we some way arrange for a divorce. He also asked for his diamond ring, telling me that if I gave it to him and a piece of poetry that he had written to me he would be satisfied. He told me the poetry contained his sentiment of the love he had for me. I refused to give him either. He wrote me occasionally, addressing the mail in my maiden name. It was my understanding that he and I were not to be considered man and wife."

"But he bothered me for months before he instituted suit for divorce. On the day that he filed the bill he came to my house and asked that we 'fix' our differences. When my friends learned that he had entered a suit for divorce, they told me that I made a mistake. Mr. Taylor certainly loved me, if I do say so myself. My friends said that I should have been a vamp, got his money, and then let him beat it. But I am not that kind of a girl."

Helped 'Colonel' Compose Song.
"As far as Captain Murphy is concerned, our acquaintanceship was purely of a social character. I know Captain Murphy as I do a number of officers and men in Washington. It is charged that I was found in his apartment at the Benedict. That is true. The captain is a composer, and as I write music, I went there with him to compose a song."

"When I came out of the apartment house with Captain Murphy, I met my husband and several other men on the pavement. He told me I ought to be ashamed of myself. I told him I did not figure I had done wrong, and did not desire to have any conversation with him."

"My husband is a man who desires to stay at home, read—he is too domestic. I like the romantic, and I intend to go around and enjoy life as long as I live. That's why I left my husband."

"I did not want to be sitting around home with him. In fact, I should not have married him. I did so on the impulse—you know, I am impulsive. Everybody says so."

"Why, last summer he trailed me up the river where I was being promoted. He came to a shore party. He got a constable and came on the shore and called me. I paid no attention to him when he insisted upon my returning to Washington with him. Then before all the guests he pulled our marriage certificate from his pocket and dramatically asserted 'I'm her husband; here's the proof.' One of the men on the shore said: 'Let's tie a rope around his neck and drop him overboard.' My husband really thought the man was going to do it, and he went away."

"On another occasion he met me in the lobby of a downtown hotel and opening my pocketbook he found a number of cards of army officers and

men acquaintances of mine. This angered him and he tore up the cards and threw the scraps in my face.

"While I was away from my home he bribed the housekeeper, giving her \$5. He went to my room and saw a picture of me taken in a one-piece bathing suit. I arrived home shortly afterward and he was highly indignant, demanding to know if I had lost all modesty.

"I told him other women were wearing one-piece suits and that I saw no reason why I should not. He tore up the picture. I don't want anything to do with him and I am innocent of the charges he makes in the divorce papers. I am going to reply to the suit tomorrow.

"There was no use of my living with Mr. Taylor. I met him in Washington and he seemed to be infatuated with me. I am not conceited, but that was his attitude. He came to New York and insisted upon seeing me. Then after I accepted the diamond ring he offered to marry me.

Realized Her Mistake.
"After our marriage I realized my mistake and I was glad that he went to Boston that night. I then came to Washington and thought I would forget him. But he persisted in coming to see me and despite my efforts he continued to press his suit."

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HENDERSON WOULD RAISE SALARIES OF D. C. JUDGES

Senator Henderson has proposed an amendment to the judicial salary bill intended to benefit judges in the District of Columbia.

It provides for \$9,000 a year to the judges of the District Supreme Court and \$8,500 for the chief justice.

The judges of the Court of Appeals of the District, under this amendment, are to receive \$10,000, with \$10,500 for the chief justice.

ARMY WIFE ELOPES "TO END POVERTY"

That she was driven to desperation because of lack of money was the story told Baltimore police today by Mrs. Ethel M. Gates, 402 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, whose husband is with the American expeditionary forces in France.

Mrs. Gates was arrested with James M. Brown, 491 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, who is alleged by the police to have lured her from her home here to Baltimore. Brown is charged with violation of the Mann act, and Mrs. Gates is held as a witness against him.

With her three-year-old son in her arms, Mrs. Gates spent last night in a detention room at the Central police station in Baltimore. She was arrested with Brown after the couple had been trailed for several days in Baltimore.

"Please let me and my baby go back to our home in Washington," pleaded Mrs. Gates. "I realize I have done wrong, but I don't want to be held here in a cell."

Brown will receive a hearing tomorrow before United States Commissioner J. Frank Supplee, Jr., on the "white slave" charge. When he was searched by the police, a marriage license certifying that Mrs. Gates had been married was found in his possession. The Baltimore police say Brown posed as the woman's husband.

BROWNLOW TO TALK ON AFTER-WAR INDUSTRIES

Washington's part in the era of increased business and industrial activity following the war will be discussed by Commissioner Louis Brownlow before a dinner-meeting of the Commercial Club next Tuesday.

The subject of Commissioner Brownlow's address will be "What's Ahead of the District?"

"Mr. Brownlow has been selected by the Commercial Club to speak on this subject because of his wide acquaintance with the affairs and progress of the District," said William J. Eynon, vice president of the club, today. The address should be particularly interesting in view of the fact that the subject to be discussed is one of the greatest portents and vital interest to the people of the District."

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